

# FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

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## USDA CONSUMER PACK CUT-UP CHICKEN PURCHASE PROGRAM RE-OPENED:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today announced plans to purchase consumer pack cut-up chicken for domestic food nutrition assistance programs.

Offers will be invited from the trade for frozen, U.S. Grade A, cut-up chicken, 8-piece cut, with neck and giblets. The commodity must be packaged in tray pack style containers. Each package of cut-up chicken with neck and giblets must weigh 2.50 to 3.75 pounds (1.13 to 1.70 kg), without neck and giblets; or be produced from ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens which weigh 2.50 to 3.75 pounds (1.13 to 1.70 kg) each, without neck and giblets. The commodity must be packed 12 packages in each fiberboard shipping container. A purchase unit will total 38,400 pounds (17,463 kg).

Invitation No. 4, inviting offers due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, May 16, is being issued this week. Acceptances will be announced by midnight Friday, May 20, for delivery from July 1 to September 30.

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Offerors are urged to carefully read all applicable terms and conditions of USDA-1, as amended, Announcement PY-291, Appendix-1, and the Commodity Specification for Consumer Pack Cut-Up Chickens dated July 2004.

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Room 3941-S, STOP 0260, Washington, DC 20250. An electronic version of this Food Purchase Report can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

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